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## PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing is the following utility patent application; this application is a continuation of commonly assigned pending U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/363,670, filed July 29, 1999, and applicants claim the benefit of such prior U.S. application under 35 U.S.C. §119 and/or 35 U.S.C. §120:

Applicant(s): **Clement G. Taylor, Danny Chin, Jesse S. Lerman, Steven Zack and William Ashley**  
Title of application: **TIGHTLY-COUPLED DISK-TO-CPU STORAGE SERVER**  
Pages of specification: **14 (including 1 pages of claims and 1 page abstract)**  
Sheets of drawings: **6**  
Parent Executed on: **10/13/99 by Taylor; 10/13/99 by Lerman; 10/13/99 by Zack; and 10/27/99 by Ashley**  
Docket No.: **DIVA/151CON1**

### PATENT APPLICATION FILING FEE CALCULATION

	<u>No. Filed</u>	<u>Less</u>	<u>Rate/Claim</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Total Claims	1	-20	0 x \$18.00	\$000.00
Independent Claims	1	- 3	0 x \$80.00	\$000.00
		Minimum Filing Fee		\$710.00
		Multiple Dependency Fee		
		(if applicable - \$270.00)		<u>\$000.00</u>
TOTAL FEE				\$710.00
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Also enclosed herewith for filing in connection with the enclosed application are:

- Oath;
- XX** Declaration (as filed in parent application - 37 CFR 1.63(d)) - **This application is a continuation of allowed prior application No. 09/363,670, filed July 29, 1999, Examiner M. Geckil, Group Art Unit 2152, Batch B52;**
- Disclosure Statement;
- Letter referencing previously filed disclosure document; number \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_;
- XX** Verified Statement claiming small entity status was filed in the parent application - **Applicants claim small entity status;**
- XX** No assignment herewith. Assignment of U.S.S.N. 09/363,670, filed 07/29/99, the parent application, was recorded at the PTO on 10/29/99 at Reel/Frame 010357/0788.
- XX** Claim(s) to priority -
 


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- \_\_\_\_\_ A certified copy of a \_\_\_\_\_ patent application or inventor's certificate, filed \_\_\_\_\_ and serial no. \_\_\_\_\_, upon which a claim to priority is made;
- XX** Other: **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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